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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: JOYCE BRETT
MARK: A BAND-AID APPLIED JEWELRY DISPLAY
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EXAMINER: Katherine W. Mitchell, Examiner, Art Unit 3677

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Sir:

**REPLY TO DETAILED ACTION –
RESPONSE TO REPLY BRIEF**

Applicant challenges the examiner's contention that "an existing property of the adhesive bandage i.e., the adhesive deposit applied by Johnson & Johnson] cannot be a step of the claimed method." The invention, as noted in the claim preamble, is "A method of arranging for a jewelry display to be worn on the person . . ." (underlining added), and one such act of the "arranging for" end result is purchasing and using the Johnson & Johnson product having the necessary "existing property [in an] adhesive bandage."

Stated somewhat differently, Johnson & Johnson did not intend the existing property noted to be used for a jewelry display and thus does not qualify as an inventor, but

applicant arranging for the use of the existing property in a jewelry display does qualify as an inventor.

Respectfully,

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